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Mr. Harvey Chatwin 505 West 10200 South South Jordan, Utah 84095

Dear Mr. Chatwin:

On April 17, 2001 this office received your Notice to conduct mining activities on your OC 6 and 7 lode mining claims located in T. 10 S., R. 12 W., Section 5. We have assigned your Notice as casefile serial number U-77772. Please refer to that number in all future correspondence regarding your proposed mining activities.

We cannot consider your Notice complete until you provide this office with the following information:

- 1. In your submitted Notice, you indicate that you plan to produce 10 to 20 tons of ore per year with a total production of 1,000 tons of ore over a 20 year time period. During this period, you anticipate producing 2,000 to 5,000 tons of waste. Please provide a detailed map showing the location where you propose to place the wastes produced by your mining operation. In addition, you must flag the perimeter of all areas proposed for surface disturbance, including the area(s) selected for your mine waste and the area where you propose to place your trailer.
- 2. Surface Management regulations at 43 CFR 3809.332 state that a Notice remains in effect for 2 years, unless extended by notifying the BLM in writing on or before the expiration date. Because your proposed mining activities are designed to continue beyond the 2 year time frame for a Notice, we believe that your proposed mining operation should be conducted under a Plan of Operations. We have enclosed a Plan of Operations form for your use. If you would like to proceed under a Notice, please modify the size and/or length of your proposed operation accordingly.
- 3. In your submitted Notice, you indicate that you will be placing a trailer in a location about ½ mile west of the project area. You also propose to have 2 to 3 people living at the site while conducting operations year round, and intend to place chains across the

access roads leading to both your mine site and trailer site. In 1996, the BLM established regulations at 43 CFR 3715 which are intended to manage the use and occupancy of the Public Lands for the development of locatable mineral deposits by limiting such use or occupancy to that which is reasonably incident. The placement of gates, permanent structures, and occupancy on a mining claim must be authorized under regulations at 43 CFR 3715. Your use and occupancy of the OC lode mining claims, including the placement of any fences, locked gates, warning signs or other restrictions to public access of these Public Lands <u>must</u> comply with these regulations. We have enclosed a copy of these regulations for your use.

4. In your submitted Notice, you have provided an estimate of the costs to reclaim the surface disturbance associated with your proposed mining activities. Your reclamation estimate is \$1,900.00. Because the reclamation estimate must cover the costs as if the BLM were to contract with a third party to conduct reclamation, and must include BLM's costs to administer the reclamation contract, we have calculated a reclamation estimate of \$3,050.00. We have enclosed a copy of our cost estimate for your information. Before operations may begin under your Notice, you must post an individual financial guarantee acceptable to the BLM. Instruments acceptable to the BLM are described at 43 CFR 3809.555. A copy of this information has been enclosed for your use.

Please provide the requested information within 30 days of receipt of this letter or we will consider your Notice to be withdrawn. If you have any questions, or require additional information, please feel free to contact Michael Ford of my staff at (801) 977-4360.

Sincerely,

'S' MICHAEL G. NELSON

Michael G. Nelson Associate Field Manager Non-Renewable Resources

Enclosures

cc: D. Wayne Hedberg